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**MEMORANDUM**

Date: February 20, 1997

Subject: **Contract Laboratory Program Data Review**

From: Melvin L. Ritter, ESAT RPO, 6MD-HC

To: Lon Biasco, 6SF-RA

*ML Ritter*  
*2/24/97*

Site: WILCOX OIL

Case#: 9611G675

SDG#: WS01-I

The EPA Region 6 Houston Branch ESAT data validation team has completed a review of the submitted data package for the referenced site. The samples analyzed and reviewed are detailed in the attached Regional data review and assessment report for this case.

The data package was found to be:

- ( ) Acceptable: No major problems with data package.
- (X) Provisional: Use of data requires caution.  
Data is acceptable for Regional use. Problems are noted in the review report.
- ( ) Unacceptable: Some or all of data should not be used.  
Problems are noted in the review report.

Questions regarding the data review report can be addressed to me.

Attachments

cc: R. Flores, Region 6 CLP/TPO  
M. El-feky, Region 6 Data Coordinator

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 12, 1997  
TO: Dr. Melvin Ritter, ESAT RPO, Region VI  
FROM: Dr. Tom Chiang, *Ja C.H. Uy* ESAT ETM, Region VI  
SUBJECT: SUPERFUND Data Review  
REF: TDF # 6-7207A ESAT File # I2087  
ESAT Contract No. 68-D6-0005

Attached is the data review summary for Case # 9611G675  
SDG # WS01-I  
Site WILCOX OIL

**COMMENTS:**

I. CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT OF DATA PACKAGE:

The contractual compliance was not determined for this data package per EPA request.

II. TECHNICAL/USABILITY ASSESSMENT OF DATA PACKAGE:

A total of 200 results were reviewed for this data package. The data package is technically provisional because of the following problems.

- A. The reviewer qualified approximately five percent of the results.
- B. One thallium analysis had inconsistent replicate ICP readings.

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INORGANIC REGIONAL DATA ASSESSMENT

CASE NO. 9611G675 SITE WILCOX OIL  
LABORATORY WESTON NO. OF SAMPLES 8  
CONTRACT # N/A MATRIX SOIL  
SDG # WS01-I REVIEWER (IF NOT ESD) ESAT  
SOW# ILM03.0 REVIEWER'S NAME Linda Hoffman  
ACCT # 7FAXJN40 SF # FAXUZZ COMPLETION DATE February 12, 1997

SAMPLE NO.: WS01-I WS05-I  
WS02-I WS06-I  
WS03-I WS07-I  
WS04-I WS08-I

DATA ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

	ICP	FAA	HG	CYANIDE	TPH
1. HOLDING TIMES	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>N/A</u>
2. CALIBRATIONS	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>
3. BLANKS	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>
4. MATRIX SPIKES	<u>M</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>
5. DUPLICATE ANALYSIS	<u>M</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>
6. ICP QC	<u>O</u>				
7. FAA QC		<u>M</u>			
8. LCS	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>
9. SAMPLE VERIFICATION	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>
10. OTHER QC	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
11. OVERALL ASSESSMENT	<u>M</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>O</u>

O = Data had no problems.

M = Data qualified because of major or minor problems.

Z = Data unacceptable.

N/A = Not applicable.

ACTION ITEMS:

AREAS OF CONCERN: For aluminum, the matrix spike recovery was above 125 percent and the duplicate difference was greater than 35 percent. One thallium analysis had a correlation coefficient greater than 20 percent.

NOTABLE PERFORMANCE:

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**COMMENTS:** The data package consisted of eight soil samples for total metals and cyanide analyses by ILM03.0 and TPH analysis by EPA method 418.1. The laboratory analyzed sample WS01-I as the QC sample for metals and cyanide and sample WS07-I as the QC sample for TPH.

This data package is technically provisional because of problems with a matrix spike recovery, a duplicate difference, and inconsistent replicate ICP readings. The technical usability of all reported sample results is appropriately indicated by ESAT's final data qualifiers in the attached Data Summary Sheet.

**NOTE:** THE FOLLOWING REVIEW NARRATIVE ADDRESSES ONLY TECHNICAL ISSUES. THE ASSESSMENT MADE FOR EACH QC PARAMETER IS SOLELY BASED ON THE TECHNICAL DATA USABILITY.

1. **Holding Times:** Acceptable. All required holding time and sample preservation criteria were met.
2. **Calibrations:** Acceptable. All calibrations were acceptable. However, for mercury and cyanide, the laboratory failed to perform the CCV and CCB analyses directly after the ICV/ICB analyses. This omission did not technically affect the sample results because the ICV/ICB and other CCV/CCB analyses met QC criteria.
3. **Blanks:** Acceptable. All preparation and calibration blank concentrations met the SOW's QC criteria although the laboratory reported 16 analytes in the blanks. The following results above the CRDL's were affected as indicated by the calibration blanks.

The chromium concentration in samples WS01-I, WS03-I, and WS06-I is considered undetected.

The chromium concentration in sample WS07-I is biased high.

All other results affected by blank concentrations were below the CRDL's.

4. **Pre-digestion/Pre-distillation Matrix Spike Recovery:** Provisional. The reviewer qualified as estimated and biased high all aluminum results because the matrix spike recovery was above the QC limit. The antimony matrix spike recovery was only marginally low, so the reviewer did not qualify the antimony results.

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5. **Duplicate Analysis:** Provisional. The laboratory reported duplicate differences above the SOW QC limits for aluminum, iron, and lead (by ICP). Since the iron difference met technical QC criteria and the lead difference was only marginally above the technical QC limit, the reviewer did not qualify the iron or lead results. The reviewer did qualify as estimated all aluminum results because of inconsistent duplicate results.

6. **ICP Quality Control:**

Serial Dilution: Acceptable. The laboratory reported a zinc serial dilution difference that was only marginally above the QC limit, so the reviewer did not qualify the zinc results.

Interference Check Sample: Acceptable. Acceptable ICS results indicated satisfactory interelement and background correction.

Coefficient of Variation: Acceptable. Replicate ICP readings were consistent.

7. **Furnace Atomic Absorption Quality Control:**

FAA Analytical Spike Recovery: Provisional. The reviewer qualified as estimated and biased low the thallium result for sample WS04-I because the analytical spike recovery was below the QC limit. The analytical spike recoveries for selenium in samples WS07-I and WS08-I were above the QC limits. Since selenium was undetected in these two samples, result qualification was not necessary.

FAA Duplicate Injection Relative Standard Deviation: Acceptable. All percent relative standard deviations for duplicate injections were acceptable.

Method of Standard Addition: Acceptable. One arsenic and one selenium sample required MSA analyses. The correlation coefficients for the MSA analyses met QC criteria.

8. **Laboratory Control Sample:** Acceptable. All LCS recoveries were acceptable.

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9. **Sample Verification:** The reviewer detected a few reporting errors in the data package. A list of items requiring laboratory clarification and correction is attached.
10. **Other QC:** Not applicable.
11. **Overall Assessment:** The data package is technically provisional because of the following problems.

The reviewer qualified one thallium and all aluminum results because of matrix related problems.

The reviewer further qualified all aluminum results because of poor laboratory precision.

## INORGANIC DATA QUALIFIER DEFINITIONS

The following definitions provide brief explanations of the ESAT-Region 6 qualifiers assigned to results in the inorganic data review process.

- U Undetected at the laboratory reported detection limit (IDL).
- L Reported concentration is between the IDL and the CRDL.
- J Result is estimated because of outlying quality control parameters such as matrix spike, serial dilution, FAA spike recovery, etc.
- R Result is unusable.
- F A possibility of a false negative exists.
- UC Reported concentration should be used as a raised detection limit because of apparent blank contamination.
- ^ High bias. Actual concentration may be lower than the concentration reported.
- v Low bias. Actual concentration may be higher than the concentration reported.

Case No.: 9611G675  
 Laboratory: WESTON

DATA SUMMARY  
 SDG. No.: WS01-I  
 Matrix: SOIL

Reviewer: L. Hoffman  
 Units: mg/Kg

EPA TR #=>	FLAG WS01-I	FLAG WS02-I	FLAG WS03-I	FLAG WS04-I	FLAG WS05-I	COMMENTS
ALUMINUM	1750 J^	86.0 J^	641 J^	22100 J^	1070 J^	
ANTIMONY	4.0 U	2.7 U	2.8 U	7.7 L	4.0 U	
ARSENIC	1.4 L	1.1 LUC	1.2 L	6.5	8.7	
BARIUM	22.2 L	2.2 L	24.0 L	191	44.2 L	
BERYLLIUM	0.10 LUC	0.07 U	0.07 U	1.2 LJ^	0.11 LUC	
CADMIUM	0.53 U	0.36 U	0.37 U	0.60 U	0.52 U	
CALCIUM	1020 L	161 L	2060	9460	4420	
CHROMIUM	2.7 UC	0.30 LUC	2.0 UC	24.3	4.7	
COBALT	1.9 LUC	0.48 U	1.5 LUC	10.3 L	2.8 LUC	
COPPER	5.5 L	2.5 LJ^	5.7	42.5	100	
IRON	2330	548	2940	19800	8930	
LEAD	25.8	8.7	37.8	47000	3660	
MAGNESIUM	278 L	32.4 L	263 L	5080	598 L	
MANGANESE	68.4	10.4	249	701	86.4	
MERCURY	0.05 U	0.06 U	0.04 U	0.07 U	0.11	
NICKEL	7.8 LJv	1.2 U	4.1 LJv	20.9	11.6	
POTASSIUM	437 L	90.4 U	348 L	3300	293 L	
SELENIUM	0.44 U	0.35 U	0.29 U	1.0 U	0.84 L	
SILVER	0.45 U	0.31 U	0.32 U	2.0 L	0.67 L	
SODIUM	144 LJv	124 L	108 L	289 L	1510	
THALLIUM	0.39 U	0.31 U	0.26 U	0.46 UJv	0.35 U	
VANADIUM	13.2	2.9 L	7.6 L	38.1	10.9 L	
ZINC	33.6	7.6	27.2	127	66.4	
CYANIDE	0.61 U	0.56 U	0.43 U	2.0	0.70 U	
TPH	427000	494000	293000	1370	875000	
% SOLIDS	69.7	77.6	96.0	53.6	71.6	



Case No.: 9611G675  
Laboratory: WESTON

DATA SUMMARY  
SDG. No.: WS01-I  
Matrix: SOIL

Reviewer: L. Hoffman  
Units: mg/Kg

EPA TR #=>	FLAG WS06-I	FLAG WS07-I	FLAG WS08-I	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	COMMENTS
ALUMINUM	957 J^	1840 J^	9720 J^				
ANTIMONY	3.6 U	3.0 U	4.7 U				
ARSENIC	2.6	3.2	2.8				
BARIUM	47.4	24.7 L	129				
BERYLLIUM	0.10 LUC	0.15 LUC	0.58 LUC				
CADMIUM	0.47 U	0.40 U	0.70 LJv				
CALCIUM	1510	432 L	3110				
CHROMIUM	3.1 UC	3.4 J^	13.4				
COBALT	2.8 LUC	1.7 LUC	5.9 LJ^				
COPPER	74.3	11.0	13.9				
IRON	8370	6180	10800				
LEAD	2260	14.0	77.8				
MAGNESIUM	290 L	157 L	999 L				
MANGANESE	36.7	43.6	938				
MERCURY	0.05 U	0.04 U	0.06 U				
NICKEL	8.8 L	4.7 L	17.4				
POTASSIUM	314 L	238 L	1350 L				
SELENIUM	0.44 L	0.30 U	0.47 L				
SILVER	0.92 L	0.46 L	0.90 L				
SODIUM	1450	84.0 L	115 L				
THALLIUM	0.32 U	0.27 U	0.42 U				
VANADIUM	9.7 L	11.0	26.3				
ZINC	51.7	41.8	160				
CYANIDE	0.44 U	0.35 U	0.95				
TPH	378000	85700	23200				
% SOLIDS	75.9	92.4	53.4				

MEMORANDUM

To: M. Ritter  
Subject: 9611G675  
SDG WS01-I  
Laboratory Resubmission

From: T. Chiang *Tom Chiang by JD*

Date: February 12, 1997

Copies: M. Perez  
File

Ref: MEM1533  
TDF No. 6-7207A  
I2087

Attached is a resubmission request of issues needing clarification for Case 9611G675 SDG WS01-I. The samples in this case were analyzed by:

Weston Environmental Metrics, Inc.  
2417 Bond Street  
University Park, IL 60466-5200

Attention: Charles R. Maw

These laboratory resubmissions are necessary to enable the Environmental Protection Agency to maximize the usability of the laboratory results in this data package.

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In Reference to  
Case: 9611G675  
SDG No.: WS01-I  
Laboratory: WESTON

In reference to data for the following sample numbers:

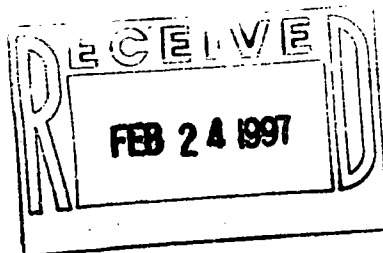
All samples in this SDG.

**Summary of Questions/Issues Discussed:**

1. On Form 1 (p. 42), the selenium result should have an "S" flag in the "Q" column since MSA was performed. Please correct and resubmit page 42.
2. Sample WS04-I was diluted by 2X, but the dilution did not appear to be necessary. Please explain the reason for dilution.



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February 21, 1997

Ms. Diane Williams  
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Houston, TX 77056-2721

Work Order No. 04606-056-026-0600

RE: USEPA-Wilcox Oil  
REVISED REPORT  
RFW Lot 9611G675

Dear Ms. Williams:

Enclosed is the revised Metals Form XIV for the project and RFW#s listed above. Due to a computer error, there was a discrepancy between the date reported in the raw data and the actual analysis date. The date reported in the raw data and on CLP Form XIV was two days behind the actual analysis date. If you have any questions please contact me at 708-534-5200.

Very truly yours,

Weston Environmental Metrics, Inc.

Charles R. Maw  
Project Manager

sj

Approved By:

Michael J. Healy  
Vice President/Laboratory Manager

The results presented in this report relate only to the analytical testing and conditions of sample at receipt. This report pertains to only those samples actually tested. All pages of this report are integral parts of the analytical data. Therefore, this report should be reproduced only in its entirety.



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ANALYSIS RUN LOG

Contract :

SAS No.:                      SDG No.: WS-01

Method: CV

End Date: 12/03/96

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 109 01 Dec 1996  
 Folder: 120396V  
 Protocol: MERCURY VAPOR AUTOANALYZER  
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 Ave. Int. = 7411 S. D. = 0  
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 Ave. Int. = 100440 S. D. = 0  
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 Ave. Int. = 164721 S. D. = 0

Due to a computer error  
 in the raw data the date  
 is incorrect. The actual date  
 of analysis 12/03/96.

Y/B  
 2/13/97

Paul F. Klump  
 12/13/96  
 Cheryl L. Boyd 12/13/96